

DECLARATION - USA PATENT APPLICATION**COPY**

As a below named inventor, we hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled SCOURING METHOD, the specification of which is attached hereto;

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above;

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56;

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATION(S)**Priority
Claimed**

No.: PCT/AU97/00855	Country: PCT	Date Filed: December 18, 1997	Yes
PO 8918	AUSTRALIA	September 1, 1997	Yes
PO 4312	AUSTRALIA	December 20, 1996	Yes

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Full name of first inventor: **Fufang Zha**

Inventor's signature 

Date July 29, 1999

Residence: **4/12 Hurlstone Avenue, Hurlstone Park, NSW 2193, Australia**

Citizenship: **Australia**

Post Office Address: **Same as Above**

COPY

Full name of second inventor: **Clinton V. Kopp**

Inventor's signature

Date

Residence: **1532 Mutineer Pl, Bismarck, ND 58504**

Citizenship: **United States**

Post Office Address: **Same as Above**

Full name of third inventor: **Robert J. McMahon**

Inventor's signature

Date

Residence: **6 Edward Street, Concord, NSW 2137, Australia**

Citizenship: **Australia**

Post Office Address: **Same as Above**

Full name of fourth inventor: **Warren T. Johnson**

Inventor's signature

Date

Residence: **8 Scarborough Crescent, Bligh Park, NSW 2756, Australia**

Citizenship: **Australia**

Post Office Address: **Same as Above**

Citizenship: **Australia**

Post Office Address: **Same as Above**

COPY

Full name of second inventor: **Clinton V. Kopp**

Inventor's signature _____

Date _____

Residence: **1532 Mutineer Pl, Bismarck, ND 58504**

Citizenship: **United States**

Post Office Address: **Same as Above**

Full name of third inventor: **Robert J. McMahon**

Inventor's signature *R. McMahon*

Date *July 29th, 1999*

Residence: **6 Edward Street, Concord, NSW 2137, Australia**

Citizenship: **Australia**

Post Office Address: **Same as Above**

Full name of fourth inventor: **Warren T. Johnson**

Inventor's signature *Warren T. Johnson*

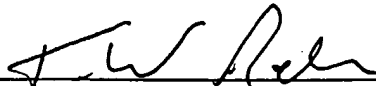
Date *July 29th, 1999*

Residence: **8 Scarborough Crescent, Bligh Park, NSW 2756, Australia**

Citizenship: **Australia**

Post Office Address: **Same as Above**

Full name of fifth inventor: **Thomas W. Beck**

Inventor's signature 

Date 29/7/99

COPY

Residence: **121 Keda Circuit, North Richmond, NSW 2756, Australia**

Citizenship: **Australia**

Post Office Address: **Same as Above**

Send Correspondence To:
KNOBBE, MARTENS, OLSON & BEAR, LLP
Customer No. 20,995

S:\DOCS\DCH\DCH-2934.DOC
071399